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MR. STOCK: Good afternoon. I will keep my comments short. My name is Bill Stock. I am with Pacific Gas and Electric Company. I have a few short comments on the EIS.

1 We believe that the Draft EIS provides comprehensive evaluation of the construction operation of the repository at Yucca Mountain. It's clear from the Draft EIS that the Yucca Mountain facility can be developed and operated while maintaining public health and safety. Over the long term, the lack of a permanent repository would put at risk the continued operation of nuclear base electric generation.

2 The Yucca Mountain project will insure that those facilities are not shut down due to a lack of permanent disposal. The process of developing and opening Yucca Mountain will take time. The Draft EIS has not identified any reason to further delay the development of that project. In fact, it demonstrates that it's in the public good to move the project forward.

We hope that it will happen as soon as possible. Thank you.

MS. SWEENEY: Thank you, sir.

FACILITATOR HOLMES: Okay. With that -- okay. That concludes the number of persons who signed up to speak. If there are any other comments relevant to the EIS?

There have been some disagreements here this afternoon, and so I'm hoping that comments are relevant to the EIS. If there's some matters that people wish to discuss amongst one another when we conclude, that's encouraged. Yes?